

## Gold price jumps \$20 in one day of 'insanity'

LONDON — Gold prices shot up to dizzying heights in Europe yesterday in chaotic trading that dealers said could mean either a crash or a new role for the precious metal in the world economy.

The dollar held firm, losing only a fraction of a cent against major world currencies.

Gold closed in Zurich at mid-point of \$378.50 an ounce, in a \$4 spread between bid and asked prices that signified great uncertainty, or in one London expert's words "insanity."

The mid-price represented a mammoth \$30.50 jump from the record set at Monday's closing. In London, Europe's other major market, gold closed at \$372.00, up \$18.50 from Monday's close.

Market forces besides speculation are moving gold," Peter Gignoux, precious metals expert for the Bankers Bache and Co. in London said. It could be, he added, that gold will resume its old role as an international monetary standard.

Traders said yesterday's gold trading involved substantial quantities as operators took up positions which they anxiously awaited the results of last night's U.S. Treasury auction involving 750,000 ounces of gold.

A previous auction of a similar quantity a month ago, the majority of which went to the West German Dresdner Bank, reportedly acting for Middle East clients, has been credited with starting the present rush for gold.

The August auction brought an average price of \$301.08 an ounce, breaking the \$300 barrier for the first time.

But dealers said the underlying reason for the switch into gold

remained the uncertain world economic climate, soaring inflation and a possible further increase in oil prices.

Gold experts said there was heavy buying from all over the world yesterday, but there is no doubt the price is being pushed up by the growing Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries' revenue surpluses estimated at \$20 billion this year, bankers said.

The price of gold, around \$210-211 an ounce a year ago, has risen over 21 per cent in the past month. Gold went over the \$300 an ounce mark in July and since mid-August the price has gone up steadily and quickly. In the last week, an ounce has jumped \$36 on the London market.

Some gold forecasters were boldy predicting that the metal will hit \$400 in a matter of days. But others said the market is nervous underneath and the bubble could burst at any time.

Zurich traders said Arab interests, who have bought massive amounts of gold in recent weeks, have apparently switched focus to silver.

Besides Arab buying, gold prices have been accelerated in recent months by the oil shortage and its implications for the world economy, the prospect of yet another oil price increase, and U.S. difficulties in curbing the American trade deficit.

In recent days there has been the added impetus of frantic buying by U.S. traders who had sold short, expecting a price decrease, when the metal was approaching \$300 an ounce. That the metal will hit \$400, underestimated the spot market's appetite for gold, a traditional haven in worrisome economic times. (AP, Reuters, UPI)

## No letup in buying spree of currency

Post Economic Reporter

The public's foreign currency buying spree continued yesterday, despite Bank of Israel and Treasury attempts to reassure the public that foreign currency regulations are not due for a change.

In one week alone, the Israeli pound has fallen 8 per cent against the U.S. dollar, which is expected to top IL29 today.

Meanwhile, after a few days of falling, sterling rose yesterday against the Israeli pound by a full pound, reaching IL22.20, still half a per cent lower than last week.

The German mark was selling yesterday for IL5.9, the French franc for IL5.8, and the Swiss franc for IL7.7.

## 'Time' to apologize, Begin aide says

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Reporter

"Time" magazine will publish an apology for this week's story about Foreign Minister Menachem Begin's health, according to Begin's media adviser Dan Patir.

Patir yesterday told *The Jerusalem Post* that on Monday the Israeli consul-general in New York, Paul Kedar, spoke to "Time" editor Henry Gruenwald and demanded an apology since the story "contained incorrect facts." Gruenwald told Kedar he would check the story.

Patir said that yesterday afternoon the local "Time" bureau chief, Dean Fischer, phoned and asked to meet senior staffers in the Prime Minister's Office. Fischer told them that if the Prime Minister's Office wished to write a letter of complaint to the editor, it would be published along with the editor's apology.

(Israel TV last night quoted Fischer as saying that if a letter were sent, the editor would consider publishing it. Fischer was not available for verification of this statement last night.)

It is believed that the local bureau on Monday again phoned the neurologist mentioned in the original story, Dr. Jack Fein, in New York, as part of the check promised by Gruenwald.

Begin had a busy day yesterday, with meetings all morning, including one with members of the British Defense College, and an address at the Knesset last night.

## Natorei Karta threatens Kollek

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A spokesman for Jerusalem's Natorei Karta sect indicated yesterday that the ultra-Orthodox group will begin harassing Mayor Teddy Kollek because of the Ramot road conflict.

"Teddy Kollek is interfering with our life with traffic on Sabbath on the Ramot Road," the spokesman said in an interview. "We'll interfere with his life during the week."

A pamphlet issued yesterday by the Natorei Karta sect, purporting to speak for the residents of the Orthodox quarters overlooking the Ramot road, made a similar threat. It warned that drivers who travel on the Ramot road even on weekdays

would be "on their own responsibility."

The pamphlet said no date would be announced for beginning of action against weekday traffic "but it will happen."

Meanwhile, members of the Ramot Neighbourhood Committee have been told by government spokesmen that their request to meet with Prime Minister Begin and Interior Minister Burg will be granted within the next few days.

Ramat residents have also warned that they will take "unconventional action" against religious neighbourhoods if harassment of Sabbath traffic continues.

Last Saturday, several cars attempted to penetrate "Shabbas Square" in Mea Shearim, but were turned back by police.

## Ehrlich raps uneconomic settlements

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich last night criticized the construction of 70 settlements in the West Bank which are not economically self-sufficient, saying the money could have been used for the construction of more economically feasible settlements in the Galilee.

Ehrlich was meeting with heads of

Galilee settlements, where he was named an honorary citizen of Kfar Tabur.

Ehrlich also said it was time for Interior Minister Burg to begin fulfilling his functions as head of the Ministerial Committee on the Galilee instead of spending his time on the autonomy negotiations. (See story, Page 3)

## Egypt receives first Phantoms

CAIRO (Reuters) — Egypt has taken delivery of its first batch of 20 U.S. F-15 Phantom fighter-bombers, Egyptian ministry sources said yesterday.

The Phantoms, the first U.S. fighter aircraft to be sold to Egypt, are part of a commitment of \$5.5 billion promised to President Sadat in connection with the peace treaty.

Egypt has bought the aircraft at a cost of \$294m. out of a \$1.5b. arms credit granted by Washington following the treaty.

Sources said 16 of the 20 planes delivered so far would take part in the October 6 military parade which is held annually to mark Egypt's crossing of the Suez Canal in the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

## Slain Olympic athletes mourned in ceremony

NETANYA (Itim) — A ceremony paying tribute to the memory of the 11 Israeli sportsmen killed by terrorists during the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich was held yesterday at the Wingate Institute near Netanya.

Attending were members of the slain sportsmen's families and leaders of Israeli sports.

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer told 340 graduates of a course for sports trainers who took part in the ceremony that their work was a continuation of the Munich martyrs' work.

## Gov't computer strike

TEL AVIV — The government's main computer will stop functioning from 9 to 11 a.m. today as employees hold staff meetings to demand higher pay and promotions.

The meetings were called by the professionals and technicians trade unions. The professionals in the defence establishment met yesterday to discuss the demands.



U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan, Egyptian Vice-President Hosni Mubarak and Carter's national security adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski gather on the White House lawn for the first anniversary of the signing of the Camp David accords. (UPI telephoto)

## Hebron mayor's talks with Arafat under study

By IAN BLACK  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The military authorities have not decided what measures, if any, should be taken against Hebron Mayor Fahd Kawasma for meeting with PLO leader Yasser Arafat in Madrid last weekend.

According to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency (JTA) dispatch from Geneva, Kawasma said at a press conference there on Monday that he and Arafat had discussed the problems of the West Bank. But he refused to go into detail, the agency said.

Senior sources in the Judea and Samaria military government and the Tel Aviv office of the IDF's coordinator of operations in the administered territories declined to comment in detail yesterday on steps that might be taken against the mayor.

The sources told *The Jerusalem Post* that, although they were not yet in possession of details about the encounter, it was likely that any action they would take would be in the form of "recommendations to the political level" — in this case to Defence Minister Ezer Weizman.

The sources noted, however, that Kawasma is not the first West Bank leader to meet with Arafat. Rashad al-Shawwa, the mayor of Gaza, met with the PLO leader a few months ago in Damascus, and other public figures from the administered territories often meet with PLO officials in Europe and Arab countries.

But they added that they were already disturbed by statements made by Kawasma last week before the World Human Rights Commission in Geneva, when the mayor

## UN force alternatives sought Sinai talks open in Washington

By WOLF BLITZER  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — The U.S., Israel and Egypt yesterday formally opened negotiations to try to come up with a permanent solution to the problem of a UN peacekeeping force in the Sinai following Israel's withdrawal.

The three-way deliberations, which lasted almost the entire day at the State Department, are expected to continue today before the outcome is made known.

U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, who is chairing the sessions, first met yesterday morning separately with the Israeli delegation, led by Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Defence Minister Ezer Weizman.

Some 45 minutes later, the Egyptian team, including Vice-President Hosni Mubarak and Defence Minister Kamel Hassan Ali, arrived to join the discussions.

Dayan emerged from the talks and said that all three sides had agreed not to disclose the results until later today. But other sources here suggested that the talks yesterday had progressed smoothly and that a successful conclusion meeting Israel's minimal concerns would be achieved.

As the negotiations were taking place, Representative Paul Findley, a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, announced that Weizman had promised the panel on Monday that in the future Israel will talk to the U.S. before launching new pre-emptive strikes with U.S.-supplied equipment against Palestinian targets in Lebanon.

Findley, the most outspoken critic in Congress of Israel's policies toward Lebanon, said in a statement that Weizman's promise was "a significant and gratifying change in Israel's military policy."

Findley said that Weizman had authorized him to make the statement, which the defence minister had made during the closed-door session. Last month, Findley introduced resolutions trying to block pending U.S. arms sales to Israel unless Israel changed its military policies in Lebanon.

Later, following the State Department talks, Weizman confirmed Findley's statement but said that

Israel had made no commitment to follow Washington's advice, only to consult in advance.

"If Israel in the future should find it necessary to use U.S.-supplied military equipment in any pre-emptive strikes, it would first talk with the United States," Findley quoted Weizman as having pledged.

Following the Sinai-related talks at the State Department yesterday, Weizman and Dayan were scheduled to drive to Capitol Hill to brief members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in a closed session.

Initial speculation here involved the possibility of an expanded U.S. role in the peacekeeping process — in addition to joint Israeli-Egyptian patrols — to replace the now-defunct UN Emergency Force (UNEF). Israel opposes a U.S.-Soviet formula calling for an expansion of the UN Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO) to assume those responsibilities.

Going into yesterday's opening round of talks, U.S. officials said they were largely in the dark about the exact nature of the tentative Israeli-Egyptian agreement on the matter, reached during the recent Haifa summit between Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.

U.S. officials had complained that neither Israel nor Egypt had reported on the agreement to special U.S. Middle East Ambassador Robert Strauss during his recent visit to the area.

Israel and Egypt apparently wanted to present their ideas jointly to Vance during the formal discussions this week.

Vance wants to take advantage of Dayan's presence in Washington this week to review other outstanding bilateral matters, including Lebanon, Israeli settlements on the West Bank, future foreign aid requests, and the course of the autonomy negotiations.

Weizman is due to return to Israel later this week while Dayan plans to remain in New York City for several days to participate in the UN General Assembly session. Dayan will also meet with other foreign ministers attending the session.

## Delegation of U.S. blacks meets PLO heads in Beirut

BEIRUT — American black civil rights leaders expressed support for a Palestinian homeland following talks with Lebanese President Elias Sarkis here yesterday.

The 10-member delegation from the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) arrived on Monday on a self-styled peace mission at the invitation of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

They conferred with Deputy PLO leader Salah Khalaf on Monday night and are due to meet PLO chairman Yasser Arafat this week.

After their talks at the presidential palace, leaders of the delegation appealed to all parties to the conflict to stop fighting.

Conference President Joseph Lowery said: "We are convinced that the ultimate solution for Lebanon and the Mideast is for both the Israelis and the Palestinians to be secure in their respective homelands, and to live in peace with justice."

SCLC Chairman Walter Fauntroy, a Democrat congressman from Washington D.C., said the delegation had been encouraged by Lebanese support for Palestinians rights to self-determination and a homeland.

Fauntroy said the civil rights leaders had begun talks with the PLO in the hope the U.S. government would do the same and said: "It is our belief that what we are now doing is developing a dialogue in the U.S. that will result in national policy being what we have sought."

Lowery said the delegation had conveyed to Sarkis its concern for an

end to the suffering and devastation caused by the fighting in the South and its impact on Palestinian refugees.

"It is a charge we must make upon the world community that the 800,000 homeless people in this country do not have a home of their own, and therein lie our plea and our missions," he said.

The delegates' sensitivity to press coverage yesterday was made apparent during an incident involving a toy AK-47 rifle and the AP photographer.

Ezer Weizman was pictured inside Barajneh refugee camp holding the rifle, while Lowery and his wife were pictured next to a youth who had been holding the gun. Realizing that the pictures could be embarrassing for a group advocating non-violence, Al Sampson of the SCLC demanded the photographer turn the film over, which he did. (AP, Reuters)

## Knesset body won't discuss Pinto till Weizman returns

By ASHER WALLFISH  
Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee decided yesterday to defer all consideration of the affair of the Litan Operation officer, Lt. Daniel Pinto, until Defence Minister Ezer Weizman returns from abroad.

Pinto's eight-year sentence, for murdering two Arab civilians after the fighting, was reduced to two years by Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan, who at first upheld Pinto's version of the incident, but finally corroborated the court's version.

Mapam's Meir Talmi demanded that the committee put questions to the chief of staff yesterday. Eitan was attending the committee session, according to an invitation given him many weeks ago, for a regular security briefing.

Labour's Yitzhak Rabin said the proper thing to do was to wait until Weizman got back. Meanwhile, he suggested, the military authorities should supply the committee with the relevant legal material.

Eitan promised he would supply such material to the committee in advance of Weizman's appearance, so that the members could be briefed. His promise satisfied the committee.

Eitan also read out the statement that the IDF spokesman issued on his behalf earlier this week, in which he said that he supported the court's version of the events which led to Pinto's conviction, rather than Pinto's own version. He said he regretted interpretations of an interview he gave to "Yediot Aharonot", which left a different impression.

Later in the session, Eitan surveyed the situation in Southern Lebanon and plans for IDF redeployment in the administered territories under the autonomy arrangements. The chief of IDF intelligence, Aluf Yehoshua Saguy, gave an intelligence briefing as well.

## UN Assembly opens

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The UN General Assembly convened its 34th session yesterday, with Ambassador Fahim Ahmed Salem of Tanzania as the new president for the coming year.

The assembly's first act was to add the Caribbean island of Saint Vincent, with a population of 112,000 and an area of 616 square miles, as its newest member.

The total UN membership is 119. A dispute over accreditation of a Cambodian delegation failed to block the opening session, but the matter still is unsettled.

## Bomb

Explosives last night dismantled a small bomb discovered in front of a cinema, after passersby saw the civil guard about the device package.

## Rations were better in the Nazi concentration camps Soviets give inedible food to starving Prisoners of Zion

By SARAH HONIG  
Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV — Prisoners doing hard labour in Soviet camps are entitled by law to a diet of 2,950 calories a day, which is less than the 2,800 calories a day allotted to Nazi forced-labour camp inmates in World War II, released Prisoner of Zion Edward Kuznetsov told a press conference yesterday. He added that most prisoners never even get the minimum allowed them by law, and that many are reduced to eating weeds.

An adult doing strenuous physical labour must receive at least 4,000

calories daily, according to nutrition experts.

Kuznetsov, other former prisoners, and relatives of those still behind Soviet barbed wire appeared at the conference to announce the publication of the first-ever report on the medical conditions of Prisoners of Zion. The report, which will be sent to medical experts throughout the world, is based on the testimony of released prisoners, on letters smuggled out of Soviet captivity, on families' testimony, and on medical examinations of released prisoners.

According to the report, the quality of food given the prisoners is so poor that despite their chronic hunger, they are frequently unable to bring themselves to eat it. Worms and parts of the bodies of dead rats float in watery so-called soups. Bread is often baked waste.

Kuznetsov said that the purpose of the deliberate starvation of prisoners of conscience is to turn them into weak-willed, obedient creatures. The conditions in Soviet jails are in direct contravention of Soviet law itself, he said.

Kuznetsov was one of the leaders of the 1970 plot to hijack a Soviet plane out of Russia. He was released to the U.S. in exchange for a Soviet spy. Two other prisoners from the same trial — Leib Khnock and Hillel Buttman — also appeared at the press conference. Buttman, who is under treatment for a severe ulcer developed during his years of imprisonment, missed a hospital treatment appointment in order to attend.

According to the report and the ex-prisoners' testimony, Soviet prison cells are sealed from the outside world and contain neither water, a

bucket of any sort, or a toilet. Sewage frequently overflows from the basement and floods the cells. In the labour camps, countless rats run about freely, and during cold winter nights, swarm over the prisoners' cots. A prisoner in solitary confinement is allowed only two visits to the latrine daily, and only when and if the warden permits them.

Due to constant hunger, hard labour, and unspeakable sanitary conditions, the prisoners suffer from intestinal disorders, liver, kidney, and heart-disease and massive infections. A very high percentage of the prisoners succumb to tuberculosis, which usually goes untreated. The only dental treatment given to prisoners, whose teeth deteriorate very rapidly due to malnutrition, is extraction without the benefit of an anaesthetic.

The medical staff in the camps, according to Kuznetsov and others, are first and foremost KGB officers, for whom medicine is primarily a means of extortion and punishment. Prisoners are blackmailed into informing on and betraying each other in return for treatment. Abdominal cancer and ulcers go untreated if the prisoner refuses to inform on his friends.

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THE WEATHER. Forecast: Fair to partly cloudy. Table with columns for city, yesterday's, and today's weather.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL. President Yitzhak Navon yesterday visited Maskelet Batya to help celebrate the grape harvest. Absorption Minister David Levy met with members of the British Parliamentary delegation for the Freedom of Soviet Jewry.

ARRIVALS. Mrs. Joshua Lewis, honorary national president of American Mizrahi Women, for a visit.

35,000 olim in Hebrew year. Jerusalem Post Reporter. About 35,000 olim arrived during the Hebrew year 5739 that ends this week — a 50 per cent increase over the previous year.

Sartre, daughter here. TEL AVIV (Itim). — Philosopher Jean-Paul Sartre, accompanied by his daughter, arrived in Israel last night for a few days' visit.

Indian tourist gets 4 years for Eilat rape. BEERSHEVA (Itim). — A tourist from India was given a four-year sentence yesterday in District Court here for the rape last July of a tourist from Sweden.

HOME NEWS

Change but don't drop bagrut, experts say

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter. The bagrut examinations should be retained because they "constitute a means of achieving inter-ethnic equality and their abolition will injure children of Oriental extraction," says a blue-ribbon panel appointed 21 months ago by Education Minister Ze'evulun Hammer.

Etzioni quits commission studying teachers salaries

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter. Finance Minister Ehrllich is reportedly going to rush documents to the head of the teachers' wage commission today in an effort to get him to withdraw his resignation.

Earth-movers demand gov't use local firms in Negev

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT Jerusalem Post Reporter. TEL AVIV. — Owners of heavy earth-moving equipment yesterday threatened an "active struggle" to prevent the government from importing foreign equipment and labour to build the new airbases in the Negev.

Paris paper reports IDF drug scandal

PARIS (JTA). — Military censorship helped hush up a drug scandal in the Israeli army, the French left-wing newspaper "Le Matin" said yesterday.

Former prisoner of Zion

Former Prisoner of Zion Binyamin Ze'ev Blum, an author and one of the founders of Poalei Zion in Russia, died yesterday. He was 79.

Canadian envoy visits Jordan refugee camp

AMMAN (AP). — Canadian envoy Robert Stanfield visited a Palestinian refugee camp and conferred with Palestinian and Jordanian officials yesterday as part of his mission to measure reaction to the proposed transfer of the Canadian Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.



Elizabeth Taylor and the former ambassador to the U.S., Simcha Dinitz, enjoy a toast at the Jerusalem Hilton Hotel yesterday shortly after the American film star's arrival from Cairo aboard a jet provided by President Anwar Sadat. The actress is here at the invitation of Dinitz, who told reporters at Ben-Gurion Airport that she is a close friend of his family. (Charbit)

Get car out of customs 'cause the taxman cometh'

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter. The sooner a car is freed from customs the better, because the government is about to impose a sales tax on cars according to their engine size. However, the official decision hasn't been handed down yet.

Land buying decision 'contrary to peace'

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. yesterday condemned Israel's decision to permit land purchases in the West Bank and Gaza Strip as "contrary to the spirit and intent of the peace process."

Special Knesset session today

By ASHER WALLFISH Post Knesset Reporter. The Knesset meets at noon today for a special session called by the Alignment faction during the summer recess.

PRISONERS OF ZION

(Continued from page 1) camp, put the patient's life in jeopardy. One testimony included in the report tells of a prisoner made to hold a lamp for the surgeon while he was being operated on. Prisoners frequently die on the operating table.

Ministry calls today's 25% electricity hike 'not enough'

By SHELOMO MAOZ Post Economic Reporter. The Knesset Finance Committee is expected to decide today on a 25.3 per cent electricity rate hike, but the Energy Ministry is expected to request another hike before the end of the year.

Left-wing leaders may talk with Arafat at Rome meet

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter. The mayors of Gaza and Bethlehem, Dr. Naim Goldmann and a number of left-wing Israelis may meet with PLO leader Yasser Arafat at an international conference on the Palestinians due to open in Rome on Monday.

Peace Now protests in Hebron

By BENNY MORRIS Jerusalem Post Reporter. Some 25 Peace Now university lecturers and physicians demonstrated yesterday outside Beit Hadassah in Hebron to protest against Gush Emunim's intention to occupy seven new flats there.

With deep sorrow, we announce the sudden tragic passing of our beloved son, brother, husband, father and brother-in-law. Harav Hagoan. BINYOMIN SHAUL RINGER

The funeral service will take place at Yeshivat Dvar Yerushalayim, 24 Rehov Hagai, today at 8 p.m., from where the funeral procession will proceed to Har Hazetim. Shiva will be at the Wolfson residence in Sarvion, 34 Simtat Hagiva.

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The Bereaved Family. Keren Kayemeth LeIsrael.

MISHA GUMENER died peacefully in Geneva, September 18, 1979. Please refrain from telephoning and sending flowers.

Friends who cherish the memory of ARTHUR LOURIE are invited to gather at the grave, Har Hamenuhot, on the first anniversary of his death, Wednesday, September 26, at 4.30 p.m.

Handwritten text in Arabic script: "كتاب من القرآن"



# New settlements fail because gov't pumps money into West Bank—Weitz

Jerusalem Post Staff and Itim

**TEL AVIV.** — A study by the Jewish Agency's settlement department shows that 70 out of 110 new agricultural settlements (excluding Gush Etzion settlements) are in serious financial difficulties. This was reported yesterday to the plenum of the Histradrut's Agricultural Centre by the head of the department, Ra'anana Weitz.

Weitz went on to appeal to the government to stop pumping funds into new settlements in the West Bank, and instead channel these sums to aid existing new settlements, only nine of which, he said, could be regarded as financially successful.

In a four-hour long session, the plenum sharply attacked the government's settlement policies, and particularly the political damage done to the settlement enterprise by "irregular and adventurous steps being taken with the encouragement of government agencies."

The plenum went on to protest that resources used to back these "irregular steps" are at the expense of housing and settlement budgets,

and these funds are sorely missed by settlements along the borders whose development is being held back for lack of capital.

The discussion on new settlements was opened by Weitz, who said he opposed all further settlement in Judea and Samaria. He called for a strengthening of settlement in the Jordan rift, in the Etzion bloc, in the Jerusalem area and on the Golan.

Matityahu Drobles, who shares Weitz's post as head of the settlement department, in reacting to his colleague's remarks, said later that Weitz should resign if he so opposes the government's and the Agency's settlement policies for Judea and Samaria.

He said he regretted that Weitz had let his personal political convictions become entangled with what purported to be professional considerations.

According to Drobles, 102 settlements have been set up since the Likud government came to power in 1977. All are fully functioning, particularly those in Judea and Samaria which, Drobles claimed, had been set up at a relatively low investment. He flatly denied that settlement in Samaria had been at

the expense of those in other parts of the country.

Weitz's statements, Drobles charged, are totally opposed to the stand taken by the World Zionist Organization Executive, of which Weitz is a member. If Weitz's conscience would not permit him to implement the WZO's policy — which is always in line with government decisions — then he must step down, Drobles said.

Agriculture Ministry Director-General Avraham Ben-Meir said that locating of settlements is a political matter, and he did not want to go into it.

He blamed Weitz's past policies for some of the financial problems facing new settlements, saying that families there had been asked to make do with too little land. Attacking Weitz, who had drawn attention to poor housing conditions in many new settlements, Ben-Meir said production investments must come first.

In another swipe at Weitz, who had suggested that moshavim needed some industry to supplement their agriculture, Ben-Meir said no one yet knew how to industrialize moshavim.



Zelda Cherut of South Africa (standing left) presents a gift of eight dolls to the children's ward of Hadassah University Hospital yesterday. The donor regularly buys slightly defective dolls from factories in her home country, sews clothes for them and donates them to hospitals with children. Here to celebrate the holidays with family, she decided to bring a batch of dolls with her. (A. Hazan)

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## Dan cancels planned bus strike

By YITZHAK OKED Jerusalem Post Reporter

**TEL AVIV.** — The Dan bus cooperative decided early yesterday to cancel this morning's planned general strike.

The secretariat of the cooperative, which met in an all-night session on Monday, agreed to cancel the strike after Transport Minister Landau promised to review the "transportation basket" and give the bus cooperative a prompt reply.

The "transportation basket" is composed of all operations costs incurred by bus cooperatives. It is used by the government to determine the real cost of operating the bus lines. That determination, in turn, affects the price of bus fares and the government subsidies to the cooperatives.

Dan staged a two-hour warning strike on Sunday.

## ICCY awards prizes for culture, education

An Armenian pre-school supervisor from Rama, an Arab-Jewish centre in Haifa, a kibbutznik from Hulata, three high school boys and a music teacher from Yeroham have won IL7,500 in prizes for their efforts in the fields of culture and education.

The prizes, awarded annually, were distributed on Monday at the International Cultural Centre for Youth in Jerusalem by Moshe Kol, head of the ICCY board.

The Herbert Armstrong Prize, awarded to individuals and institutions promoting closer understanding between Jews and Arabs, was shared by Arab and Druze kindergarten supervisor Anahit Avkalian and by Bet Hagafen in Haifa.

For his pioneering musical activities in the southern development town of Yeroham, Nabum Har-Zion received the Artur Rubinstein Prize.

The Professor Alexander Dushkin Prize, dedicated to strengthening ties between Israel youth and Jewish youth in the Diaspora, was awarded to three teenagers who initiated a bi-monthly newspaper in English entitled "Youth World."

Esther Teichman-Levine, a member of Kibbutz Hulata, won the Moshe Kol Prize, awarded for projects on behalf of immigrant youth or youth from development towns.

## NEWS ANALYSIS/SARAH HONIG

### Liberal ministers can't decide what to do

**TEL AVIV.** — A new crisis is looming in the Liberal Party with party ministers at odds about whether to quit the cabinet en bloc or leave each other to face the political pitfalls alone.

What became known as the ministers' "mutually-protective trade union" has now definitely fallen apart, party insiders claim.

The ministers first banded together last June when Liberal Party rebels demanded they resign. The ministers briefly stopped attacking each other and even appeared together on the party lecture circuit.

The attack by energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i on Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich's wage policy is seen as but one symptom of the new crisis.

The underlying cause seems to be recurrent demands by Ehrlich, the party boss, that the four ministers fulfil the newly pledged unity and that they resign together if the government refuses to implement the party's economic principles.

Since it is practically a foregone conclusion that these principles will not be implemented during the next few weeks — when the deadline set for the four ministers by their party's central committee is up — Ehrlich is in fact asking the ministers to step down with him. Such a walkout would not involve a defection from the Likud coalition, but just a departure from the government.

But Ehrlich's fellow ministers are

loath to leave their seats, especially since they initially formed their so-called "trade union" to protect those seats. The one minister most outspoken in his refusal to vacate his post along with Ehrlich is the finance minister's arch-rival, Moda'i.

Moda'i has reportedly met with party confidants and told them of the joint-resignation scheme that Ehrlich is preparing. He asked his supporters to combat Ehrlich's aims, stressing that the finance minister is seeking an elegant way out of the Treasury. A joint walkout by the Liberals would not single out Ehrlich as a failure or a quitter and would give him with a pretext of principle to resign as part of a national hero, Moda'i explained to his backers.

Yet Moda'i will have an awkward time fighting Ehrlich's demand in the central committee, because most of Ehrlich's enemies, led by his former deputy Yeheskel Flomlin, have been demanding that all four ministers leave the cabinet. It is thought unlikely that they would fight against Ehrlich's desire to give to their wishes.

Party pundits are afraid to commit themselves about how a joint resignation plan would be received at the central committee. Observers were looking to this afternoon's meeting of the committee, when it was to hear a report by Moda'i, Ehrlich, and Industry, Trade and Tourism Minister Gideon Pat, and Minister without Portfolio Moshe

Nisim. The four were to describe progress on the implementation of the committee's ultimate demands on the party's economic principles. The meeting was certain to have sparked fireworks, and the ministers backed out of it by claiming the imperative of attending today's special Knesset session.

A possible compromise on Ehrlich's part might be a private understanding with Prime Minister Begin whereby the Liberals would only leave the government for a short period and would then return with a somewhat different team. This would allow Ehrlich to back out gracefully and would enable Moda'i to return to the cabinet, possibly to the Treasury, which he is said to covet.

Meanwhile, the four ministers are again to try their luck with Begin. They will see him again this morning to press their economic demands. At the most recent such meeting, on the eve of the Haifa summit, Begin granted them a mere 20 minutes in which he let each have a few words without committing himself.

The Liberals are demanding drastic budget cuts, the sale of public land to private citizens to allay the housing shortage, the transfer of the Israel Lands Administration from the Agriculture Ministry to Moda'i's Infrastructure and Energy Ministry, the phasing out of the Absorption Ministry, and the establishment of an overseas information ministry.

## Dissension reported Dinitz tells why Camp David accords mum on Jerusalem

By PAUL KOHN Post Sports Reporter

**TEL AVIV.** — The national soccer team trained behind closed doors at the Ramat Gan stadium yesterday after reports of a players' revolt against national team coach Emanuel Sheffer.

Among the players in light training yesterday was Uri Malmillan, who was injured three weeks ago and missed the national team's game against Eintracht Frankfurt (1-3), and the first two league games for Jerusalem Betar. Malmillan's inclusion in the team against Spain playing here on September 26 would substantially boost team morale.

Sheffer strongly denied any revolt among the 22 players he has chosen as possibles for the Israel team in the return Olympic qualifier against Spain.

He said that when he gathered his players yesterday he asked if any of them wanted to leave, promising that no disciplinary action would be taken against them. None left.

But what remained unclear last night was the position of Ya'acov Eckhaus of Tel Aviv Hapoel, who was tipped to take over Avi Cohen's job of sweeper.

Eckhaus claimed that Sheffer had offended him and he was not keen to play under the national team coach. Missing from training yesterday were several players injured on Saturday, including Yitzhak Shum, Shlomo Mirzahi and Benny Tabak.

## Dinitz tells why Camp David accords mum on Jerusalem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A year and a day after the signing of the Camp David framework agreements, the man who was Israel's ambassador in Washington at the time revealed the background to the absence of reference to Jerusalem in the documents.

Simcha Dinitz told a Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce luncheon yesterday that the first draft of the agreements presented by the U.S. referred to Jerusalem as continuing to be an undivided city, open to people of every religious belief. The clause was acceptable to the Israeli delegation, but not to the Egyptians.

The Egyptians came up with an alternative version, which also saw the city as undivided, but added that a portion of it would be "returned to Arab sovereignty."

Not surprisingly, according to Dinitz, the Israelis refused to accept this, and the U.S. then put forward a suggestion that the document make no reference to the city.

But, on the last morning of the talks, a few hours before the signing, in a meeting between U.S. and Israeli representatives, America's Secretary of State Cyrus Vance told the Israelis that President Jimmy

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Carter would write a letter to President Anwar Sadat of Egypt on the subject, Dinitz said.

What astonished the Israelis and led to a frenzied last-minute lobbying operation was the proposed content of the letter: a statement by Carter to the Egyptian leader that U.S. policy on Israel's capital would not depart from its "traditional" view of the city as forming part of the "captured territory."

In the course of the furious activity following this revelation, Dinitz reported that Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan asked a senior U.S. official, "If Jerusalem isn't Israel's capital, what is?"

The official replied, "I don't know."

Dinitz said that despite the eventual absence of reference to Jerusalem in the Camp David documents, the Egyptian position remains that while the city should remain undivided, "a portion" of it must be "returned to Arab sovereignty."

Shlomo Nakdimon, the prime minister's spokesman, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that Dinitz's revelations were "news" to the Prime Minister's Office.

## Graham sees chance of anti-Semitism

**NEW YORK (UPD).** — Evangelist Billy Graham says there is a "dangerous possibility" of an increase in anti-Semitism in the U.S.

Graham said in an interview on the CBS television programme "60 Minutes" on Sunday night he did not think there was currently a wave of anti-Semitism, but he added, "It is a possibility. I think it is a dangerous possibility."

He also said, "I think you're going to see an uprising among blacks against Jewish people because they marched with them in the civil rights movement. No group stood by them more than Jewish people during that period."

## Public IDF reserve call-up scheduled soon

A public call-up of reserve forces will be held soon by the IDF.

The system is based on the broadcast over radio and television of call-up codes, which will also be posted on notice-boards and printed on leaflets dropped from the air.

Reserve soldiers should check whether their code is included and, if so, report as required.

The call-up will effect a few thousand reservists and also a limited number of vehicles.

## JERUSALEM POST POLL

### Public favours carless day

By MARK SEGAL Jerusalem Post Reporter

**TEL AVIV.** — The majority of the public favours carless days, and legislation to reduce lighting of shop windows, as energy conservation measures, according to a public opinion poll conducted for *The Jerusalem Post* by the Modi'in Ezrachi applied research centre.

But only a minority said they support reduced street lighting in order to save energy.

A sample of 1,288 adults was asked three questions about possible energy conservation programmes. Replies to the first question — "Will a carless day save fuel?" — were: Yes — 53 per cent; yes, but there are other energy-saving methods — 9.3 per cent; hardly at all — 35.4 per cent; undecided — 1.8 per cent.

The second question was: "Are you for, or against, reducing street lighting as a fuel-saving device. The replies were: Against — 34.4 per cent; for — 40.2 per cent; undecided — 3.4 per cent.

In reply to the third question — "Are you for, or against, legislation reducing or even forbidding shop window lighting as an energy conserving method?" — the replies were: For prohibition — 19.8 per cent;

for reduced lighting — 57.7 per cent; against both — 20.3 per cent; undecided — 2.2 per cent.

An analysis of the responses, by centre directors Mina Zemach and Amiran Yarkoni, showed the strongest support for a carless day was by Israelis from oriental countries, those at the bottom of the educational and economic scales, and those defining themselves as religious and voting for the three religious parties.

Residents of Beersheba and the South strongly favoured a carless day, with 63.7 per cent calling for such a move. In contrast, only 46.7 per cent of the Jerusalem residents polled called for such a ban.

Residents of Tel Aviv and Haifa fell between the two extremes.

Jerusalem residents, on the other hand, gave the strongest support for reduced street lighting, with 44 per cent favouring such a programme compared to only 39.5 per cent in Tel Aviv, 42.2 per cent in Haifa, and 31.3 per cent in Beersheba.

Only 6.9 per cent of the Jerusalemites favoured reduced shop window lighting in shops, in contrast to 11.3 per cent of the Beersheba residents, 20.8 per cent of those polled in Haifa, and 20.3 per cent in Tel Aviv.

## Hapoel takes over Jerusalem march

Some 20,000 hikers are expected to take part in next month's Hapoel-sponsored Jerusalem march, a spokesman for the athletic organization said yesterday.

Hapoel decided to take on the organizational efforts for the march this year, after the IDF decided that budget difficulties prevented it from playing its traditional organizing role.

The spokesman added that for security reasons, which were not detailed, no tent camps will be established for the two-track march, although first aid stations and refreshment stands will be supplied. The police will provide security arrangements. (Itim)

## Housing protesters invade gov't office

Members of Housing Now yesterday broke into the offices of Shikun Ufital, the government housing company, to protest against the sale of government flats on the private market.

The group claim that the flats will be bought by speculators while those in need of housing cannot afford to buy them.

A number of the demonstrators were arrested.

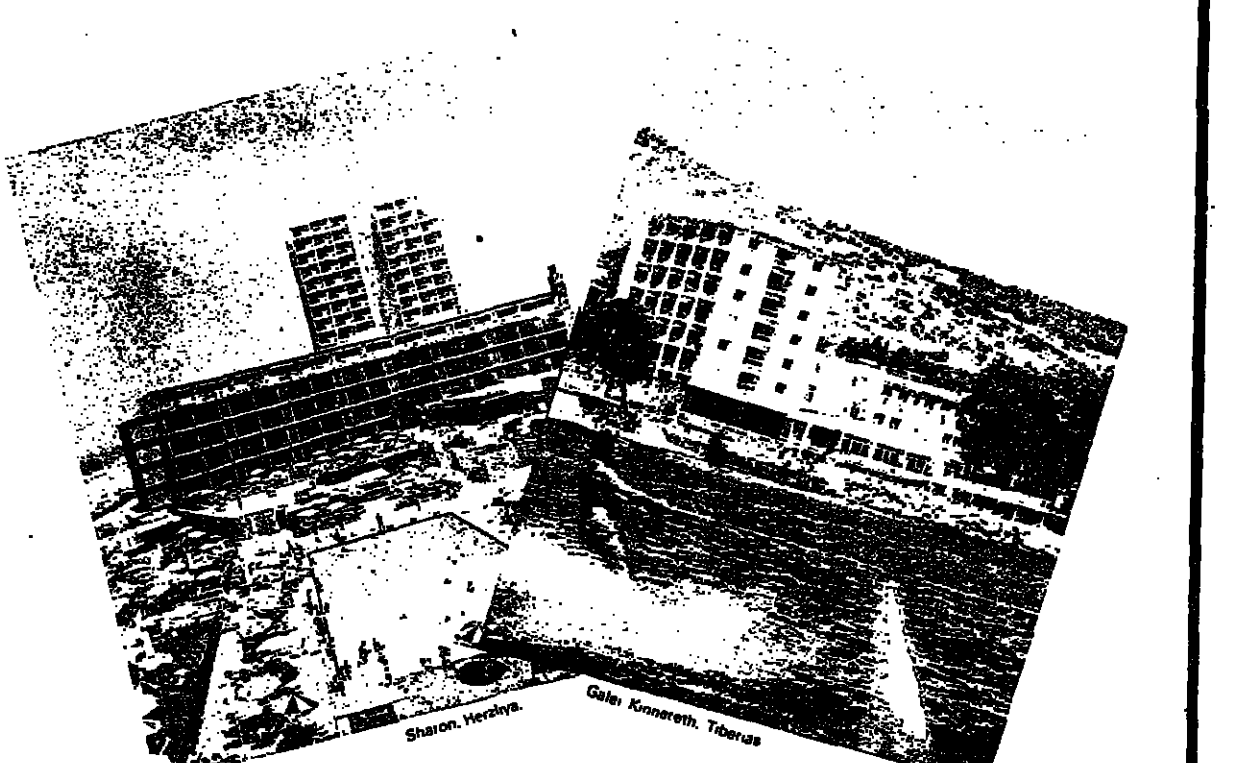
## Egged to add extra drivers for holidays

A spokesman for the Egged bus cooperative yesterday called on the public to buy their tickets for long journeys as early as possible during the holiday season, and promised that the cooperative would take on "hundreds of extra drivers" for the expected travel crunch.

The spokesman said that routes such as Tel Aviv-Eilat, for which tickets can be reserved, are expected to be fully booked early.

The spokesman said service during Rosh Hashana would be according to the Friday night-Saturday evening schedule.

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**Rabbi Yosef urges shmitta land sale**

Jews must symbolically sell their flowers, gardens and farms to Moslems in Israel before the shmitta (sabbatical) year that begins on Rosh Hashana this week, according to Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef.

In a lecture at Jerusalem's Boys Town about the problems of the sabbatical year, the chief rabbi also said that both religious and non-observant residents of cooperative apartment houses must sign a document "selling" the garden to a non-Jew, so that they will be able to care for the plants during the sabbatical year.

A Moslem is favoured by Halacha as purchaser, he said, because he believes in one God, and the land of Eretz Yisrael may not be sold to those who are not monotheists.

Rabbi Yosef will symbolically sell the state's land to a non-Jew today in Hechal Shlomo, according to the Sephardi chief rabbi's office.

But his Ashkenazi counterpart, Rabbi Shlomo Goren, will also sell lands, having sent his version of the sabbatical document — which Yosef opposes — to all the country's kibbutzim and moshavim.

## Israelis seem to prefer servings to services

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter

With prices higher than ever, Jerusalemites are concentrating on buying food for the holidays and buying less of other items.

Supermarkets and the outdoor Mahane Yehuda market reported brisk trade this week, but clothing stores reported fewer buyers than in

previous holiday weeks.

Synagogues also seemed to have less demand for seats. Prices for seats range from IL1,500 for a few synagogues in certain areas of Tel Aviv to a few pounds for small prayer houses in Jerusalem. About 1,000 temporary places of worship are being set up for the holidays to augment the 7,000 Orthodox syn-

agogues throughout the country.

In most major centres, the Conservative and Progressive movements will also hold services. All three movements will be organizing prayers in non-religious kibbutzim.

In the Reform Movement, the price for a pair of seats is about IL900, with the exception of Hebrew Union College where there is no charge and worshippers are seated first-come first-served.

In Conservative synagogues, the fees range from nothing for congregations in temporary quarters to a high of IL1,500 per couple in Ashkelon.

There are still accommodations in many resort areas, including Jerusalem, for Rosh Hashana, although kibbutz guest-houses are filled. One travel agency reports that a few places are available in Tiberias, Safed, Eilat and Arad with plenty of vacancies in Tel Aviv. But Netanya, Nahariya and Herzliya are booked up. Most places are also booked up for Sukkot.

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Was former Afghan president killed? Taraki's fate a mystery

ISLAMABAD. — Conflicting rumours swept Kabul yesterday over the fate of Afghanistan's former president Noor Mohammad Taraki, some saying he was dead of gunshot wounds and others listing him as still alive but seriously wounded.

Since Taraki's announced resignation on Sunday, diplomats in the Afghan capital have expressed scepticism over the official version that he stepped down because of ill health.

In the latest reports reaching Pakistan, the diplomats said they were unable to confirm widespread rumours that Taraki had died in a military hospital after a gun battle at his presidential palace last Friday.

One diplomatic report portrayed him as clinging on to life but suffering from brain damage.

The Kabul diplomats said many senior government officials were in the presidential palace when Friday's shooting erupted in the wake of a cabinet purge and power struggle within the ruling Khalq party.

Prime Minister Hanizullah Amin took over power over the weekend and announced in his first public statement as Afghanistan's new leader that no individual would rule the country from now on.

One of Amin's first acts was to meet the Soviet ambassador, Kabul Radio reported. There had been speculation among diplomats that the Kremlin was caught unaware by the prime minister's takeover, although his hardline policies are

thought to be more pro-Soviet than his predecessor's.

The Soviet Union is the Kabul government's main ally and provides it with vast amounts of military equipment to fight the tribal insurgency which has engulfed the country.

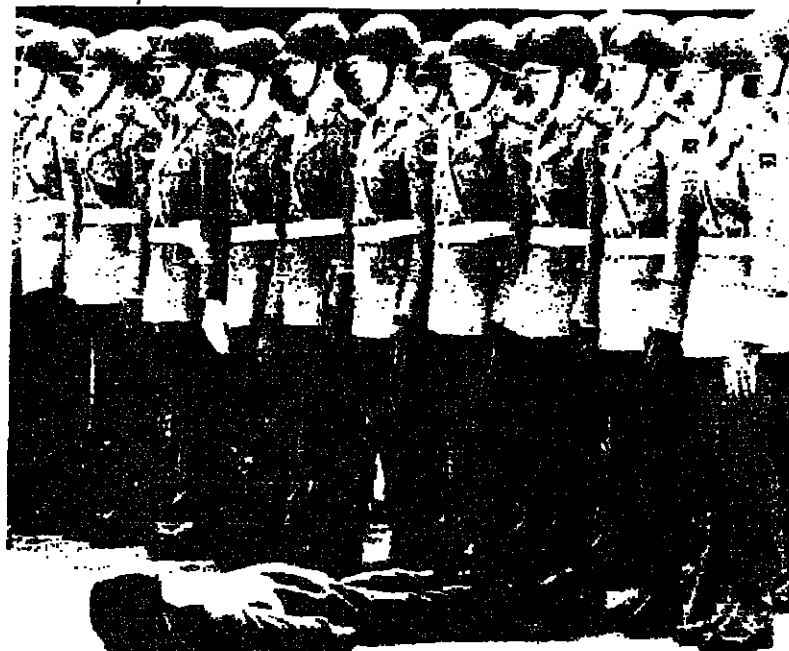
From their base in Peshawar, northern Pakistan, the Afghan insurgents reported new successes in Faryan province north of Kabul and in Pakhtia province where heavy fighting has been taking place.

The increasing success of the insurgency and its worsening effect on army morale was believed to be a cause of differences in the purge and the subsequent fighting in Taraki's residence.

Amin, 53, has threatened to invoke a 1978 friendship treaty with the Soviet Union and invite Russian troops into the nation to deal with external threats. There already are an estimated 5,000 Russian "advisers" in Afghanistan and Soviet pilots have reportedly flown combat missions against the rebels.

Meanwhile, Amnesty International yesterday claimed Afghanistan has summarily jailed thousands of political dissidents in "gross violations of human rights" that included torture and illegal executions.

The London-based human rights group, reporting on a five-day visit to Afghanistan in October 1978, predicted many would spend years in jail without trial. (Reuter, AP, UPI)



When Italian President Sandro Pertini visited West Germany yesterday, at least one soldier greeting him in Bonn felt the heat, and fainted flat on his face. In true soldierly fashion, most of his comrades kept their eyes straight front. But one, (fourth from right) seems to be studying his buddy with some concern. (UPI telephoto)

Nixon returns to China's Great Hall

PEKING (AP). — Former U.S. president Richard Nixon returned to the Great Hall of the People last night and said in a banquet toast that China and the U.S. must resist other nations' expansionism.

"Only by working together," said Nixon, could the U.S. and China develop the united strength to "deter and resist those who threatened not only us but our friends and allies as well." The welcoming banquet was given by Premier Deng Xiaoping (Teng Hsiao-ping). Nixon met Deng for two hours

earlier yesterday in "a good talk" about Sino-American relations and foreign affairs. He declined further comment on what he called "a private discussion."

The official Chinese news agency reported, "They agreed that since the beginning of this year, the world situation had become more tense." Emphasizing the perils of expansionism — a phrase used by China to indicate the Soviet Union, Nixon stressed that cooperation could avert the "aggression which could lead to a world conflict."

S. Africa lifts ban on unionists

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — Justice Minister Alwyn Steyn has lifted a five-year banning order on a white South African couple who had been fighting for the recognition of black trade unions. It was reported yesterday.

Eric and Jean Tyacke, both in their 50s, were banned under the Internal Security Act. November 16, 1978 in a move to restrict their activities by preventing them from addressing groups of people and attending meetings.

They were banned along with about 20 other trade unionists without explanation.

The banning order against the Tyackes was lifted on September 10, but no official explanation was given for the action.

White-minority ruled South Africa has 27 unregistered black unions which traditionally have not had the right to strike or negotiate with management.

Under the new Industrial Conciliation Act, which comes into effect on October 1, the black unions would have to register and thereby be brought under institutional control.

U.S. senator calls SALT 'charade'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Sen. Mark Hatfield, who, as a member of the U.S. Navy in World War 2, was among the first outsiders to enter Hiroshima after it was bombed, said yesterday the SALT II treaty was "a charade" that only legalized a massive increase in the number of

U.S. and Soviet nuclear weapons. "Why not instead simply stop where we are?" the Oregon Republican asked the Senate Foreign Relations Committee now debating the pact with the Soviets.

"Though such an idea sounds fundamental," he said, "it has not been proposed by the U.S. negotiators. Neither the Soviet response, nor that by the U.S. government can be known for certain until a moratorium proposal is set into the heart of the negotiating process."

Hatfield proposed a moratorium amendment to focus renegotiation on what the SALT negotiations were intended to do — how to halt the arms race.

Air Canada halts all DC-9s after plane loses tail

MONTREAL (AP). — Air Canada announced yesterday an immediate examination of all 43 of its DC-9 aircraft after the tail fell off one plane in flight and cracks were discovered in the tail of another plane on the ground.

A three-metre tail section fell off a plane flying over the North Atlantic from Boston to Nova Scotia on Monday.

As 88 horrified passengers looked through the gaping hole, the jet, with a crew of four, returned safely to Boston.

"All of a sudden it felt like the windows had blown in," said passenger Ellen John, 25. "I heard started screaming. Food was flying around."

Food and trays tumbled down the aisle and a fully loaded liquor cart swept out the rear.

One stewardess and three passengers suffered slight injuries. The larger DC-10 aircraft were grounded virtually world-wide for inspection this summer following the crash of a DC-10 in Chicago due to a structural fault.

In a separate incident, chunks of a wing flap from an American Airlines Boeing 707 cargo plane fell into residential areas in Chicago's northwest suburb of Palatine, police said. There were no injuries and the plane landed safely at O'Hare International Airport. One 150-kilogram piece measured 1.2 by 2.4 metres.

Salvadoran rebels slay policeman

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (UPI). — Salvadoran authorities said yesterday that two women guerrillas shot and killed a policeman on the streets of Santa Ana and were themselves killed by other policemen.

The killings on Monday brought the death toll of political violence in this Central American nation of 4.5 million to 15 in less than two weeks.

Authorities said two women, dressed in jeans and carrying 45 calibre automatic weapons, shot the officer in Santa Ana, 65 km. west of the capital.

Three bystanders, including a pregnant woman, were wounded during the brief shootout, authorities said.

Nudes bare demands by staying dressed

SAN JOSE, California (UPI). — The nude art models at San Jose State University are keeping their clothes on because they feel their pay is too skimpy and temperatures in the classrooms cause goosebumps.

Some 80 models, ranging in age from 21 to 62, staged their job action on Monday, demanding \$4 an hour instead of their current \$3 and higher temperatures in the posing rooms.

"I get goosebumps," model Joyce Bowman, 36, said. "Often, in the winter, I strike poses for up to 30 minutes in classrooms where the students are all wearing coats and jackets, and there I am covered with gooseflesh."

PLO negotiator in Ankara sent terrorists on mission

PALESTINE. — One of the four Palestinians who besieged the Egyptian Embassy here last July has claimed in his trial that he was sent on his mission by the Palestine Liberation Organization official who later negotiated an end to the building takeover.

The PLO official, Ebu Selim, came to Turkey at the height of the takeover, invited by Ankara to help end the siege. But he will be arrested and tried by a military court if he returns to Turkey, martial law

authorities said yesterday. Meanwhile, the military prosecutor in the trial has asked for the death penalty for three of the terrorists, and a long jail term for the fourth.

The four have said they belong to the "Eagles of the Palestine Revolution," a militant branch of the Syrian backed Saffa wing of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Two policemen and an embassy official were killed in the siege.

Bolshoi couple opts for U.S.

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). — Two more principal dancers with the Bolshoi Ballet, Leonid Kozlov and his wife Valentina, have defected and been promised asylum in the U.S., officials said here yesterday.

The couple walked into a Los Angeles immigration office on Monday, shortly before the remainder of the dance group left for Moscow by air, and asked to be allowed to remain.

The Kozlovs were later told that asylum would be granted and they are being kept under U.S. protection, the officials said.

The defection came just 25 days after another principal dancer with the Bolshoi, Alexander Godunov, was granted asylum in New York.

A Bolshoi official contacted by telephone later said the Kozlovs were "nothing like our best dancers."

He added: "We have plenty more like them," but declined to discuss the case further. The company was still waiting for details of the reported defection, he said.

In another defection, East German swimming champion Renate Vogel-Hetrich disclosed she has fled to the West, and said she hopes to get her husband out of East Germany as soon as possible. The 26-year-old athlete fled by undisclosed means last week, but surfaced only yesterday in Stuttgart, West Germany.

Oil in China more than expected

PEKING. — China yesterday announced that its largest oilfield has 25 per cent more oil than previously estimated. U.S. and European oil giants are vying for rights to drill off the Chinese shore.

Peiking's announcement about the Daqing oilfield in northeastern China gave no figures for capacity, but said that during the past three years output has increased by an annual one million tons.

China, meanwhile, gave four western oil companies permission to survey a zone of 1,000 square kilometres off its coast, in what U.S. experts have called the largest

operation of its kind. The companies are investing their own money in the seismic research, and still don't know how the Chinese will divide the territory for drilling rights or whether they will get their money back.

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Mobil, Esso, Chevron-Exxon and Phillips are undertaking the joint venture. (AP, Reuter)

Conservatives win in Norwegian vote

OSLO (UPI). — Norwegian election officials yesterday confirmed the final victory of the conservative parties in local elections.

The conservative parties' advance came after a campaign in which they promised tax reductions, cheaper housing and less government interference in private industry. They now control 15 of 19 county councils and scores of new municipal assemblies.

Meanwhile, in Stockholm electoral officials said only 2,000 votes separated the two power blocs in Swedish politics with many postal votes from Sunday's general election still uncounted. The non-socialist bloc of the Conservative, Centre and Liberal Parties won 2,040 votes more than the socialists in the election, but electoral boundaries gave a one-seat lead to former prime minister Olof Palme's Social Democratic Party and his communist allies.

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Emergency food flown to Cambodia

BANGKOK (Reuter). — A plane-load of urgently needed food and medical supplies was flown to Phnom Penh yesterday amid reports that vast numbers of Cambodians were dying of starvation and disease.

The 41-ton consignment was only a small fraction of the amount regarded as necessary to ease the critical food situation. Efforts are underway both in Phnom Penh and Bangkok to organize and coordinate bigger relief efforts.

The plane, chartered by the International Red Cross and the UN Children's Fund, was the third such mission to transport supplies through Bangkok in the past month.

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Mugabe tables plan for takeover

LONDON (UPI). — The Patriotic Front guerrillas yesterday handed the Zimbabwe Rhodesia conference a plan designed to give them effective control over the new nation during a transitional period before full independence.

They did so in a document presented to the conference by Patriotic Front leader Robert Mugabe during an unexpected half-hour plenary session yesterday afternoon.

Conference spokesman Nicholas Penn said its key provision was the setting up of a governing council with full executive powers during the transitional period, consisting of four members appointed by the Patriotic Front and four named by Britain and the present Salisbury regime.

Penn said the proposals will not be discussed by the conference until it has completed work on a new independence constitution.

Mubarak to see Kreisky

VIENNA (AP). — Egyptian Vice-President Hosni Mubarak arrived in Vienna yesterday for a two-day official visit, planning to deliver a personal message from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky.

Mubarak arrived from Washington, where U.S. President Jimmy Carter, Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and he marked the first anniversary of the Camp David accords.

MESSAGE. — Saudi Arabian Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal arrived in Baghdad yesterday with a message from King Khalid to President Saddam Hussein.

Cubans release four U.S. men held as spies

MIAMI (AP). — Four Americans imprisoned in Cuba on espionage and political charges since the mid-1960s stepped off a plane to freedom on Monday night at Miami International Airport.

The four were released 10 days after the U.S. freed four Puerto Rican nationalists jailed for more than 25 years for terrorist activities in the U.S.

In announcing the release of the four, the State Department denied there was a "package deal" involving the release of the Puerto Ricans. Cuban officials earlier also denied any quid pro quo.

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Advertisement for Six-Week Advanced Hebrew Course at the Y.M.H.A. Upan, 105 Rehov Herzog, Jerusalem, to begin on Monday, October 15, 1979. Includes details on study programme, registration, and contact information.

Advertisement for AKAI electronics. Features '10%-20% reductions' on loudspeakers, amplifiers, and tape recorders. Contact information for METALEM ELECTRONICA CO. LTD. is provided.

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ENTERTAINMENT TELEVISION section. Lists various TV programmes including educational content, children's programmes, and news bulletins.

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CINEMAS section. Lists various movies and film screenings at different venues in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

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Focus

PLANTS FOR THE PRESIDENT

MOST PEOPLE recognize, at least from TV or newspaper photos, the Castel-wall plaques, the Rubin windows, the Tamir tapestries and the Bezem ceiling in Beit Hanassi.

Devorah Wigoder. "But it really could use more colorful flowers, like dahlias, which need little water and are long blooming."

grass used to make the basket that held Moses as he floated in the Nile. Nearby, and dotting the lawn in several places, is pampas grass.

of heaven"), which sends out such strong roots that they can undermine the foundations of a house.

bushes and other plants, you'll keep pests and plant diseases down. The horticultural society, whose members include Jews, Arab, Armenians and UN officials (and whose lectures are thus delivered in English), meets once a month.



Mina Givton (left) and Devorah Wigoder with gifts of rare plants at Beit Hanassi.

"DO YOU know anything about lumps in the stomach?" the middle-aged kibbutznik sitting across the dining table asked me in a quiet, yet pressing, tone.

abdomen for many years," he confessed. "It's stayed the same size all that time - it's quite easy to feel - and it's never been painful, so I've really got quite used to it and haven't been worried about it at all."

but didn't find anything unusual. Menahem naturally was anxious to know my diagnosis. "From the amount of time you've had this thing and from the other details you've mentioned, as well as from my examination, I believe this is most likely to be nothing more than a benign tumour of fatty tissue, or what we call medically a lipoma."

been noticed or may have been present for some time. In the latter case, some change in its nature or appearance (such as the development of tenderness), a chance mention of it to a relative or friend or something in the media may prompt the visit.

come my way are usually lymph glands temporarily enlarged as a result of some localized or general infection; little cysts arising from blockages in certain skin glands; hernias (ruptures), mostly in the region of the groin (discussed in a recent article in some detail); and the lipoma type of lump described here.

Like it or lump it

A DOCTOR'S NOTEBOOK/Dr. David Samson

New ideas for holiday menus

FROM MY JERUSALEM KITCHEN/Sybil Zimmerman

- HERE IS a menu for six that adds some special touches to a holiday feast: COLD FISH WITH TEHINA SAUCE 1 1/2 kilo fish oil 1 t. salt 1 1/2 cups chopped onions 1/4 cup lemon juice 1 cup tehina 1/4 cup water

A load of garbage



GARBAGE came up for discussion on the Second Programme's "Here At Home," the bright idea being that Tel Avivians should carry their own out to the roadside for collection. It's difficult to remain indifferent to the subject.

LISTENING IN... Ze'ev Schul Now come to the idea of lugging one's own trash. To begin with, I can't see any of our 12 uncooperative householders shlepping garbage cans. They haven't got the right mentality. It has been proven impossible to induce them to do as much as use nylon bags for their smelly stuff.

George Taussig speaking for travel agencies; Eliahu Salpeter on behalf of the tourists, and Benji Rom for the hotelier. The subject was, naturally, tourism and the attitude of the half a million Israelis who chose this year to holiday abroad, instead of enjoying what their homeland has to offer in the way of vacationing.

Advertisement for Naveh Amirim real estate. Text: "THERE'S NEWS AGAIN AT NAVEH AMIRIM We sell now modern 3 and 4 bedroom apartments and magnificent penthouses, in 2 new buildings!"

Advertisement for Empire Poultry. Text: "Enjoy... eat in good health, thank goodness KOSHER Empire POULTRY The Most Trusted Name in Kosher Poultry and Foods"

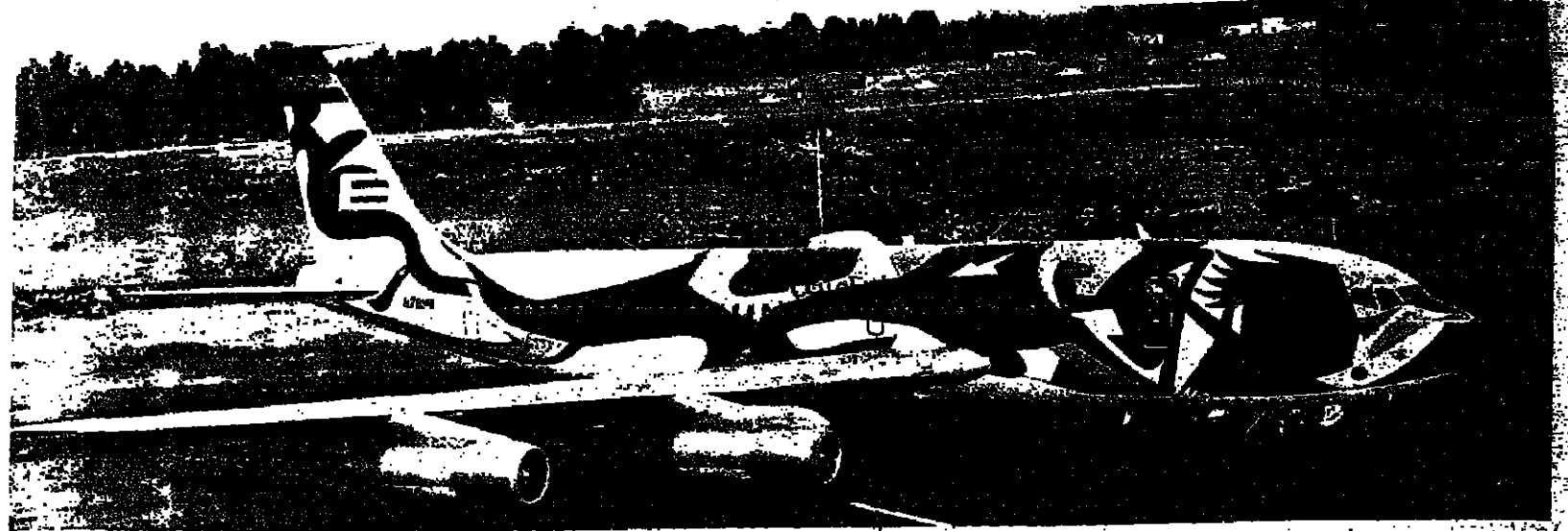
Advertisement for FLYING HIGH. Text: "FLYING HIGH BRIDGE George Levinrew SOME PLAYERS like to fly high, and when it works the enemy is confounded. Hanan Sher is like this, and he maintains that there always is a reason behind his daring. Here are two deals he played in a recent Jerusalem duplicate."

Advertisement for ILAN (Israel Foundation for Handicapped Children). Text: "ILAN TEL AVIV: WE NEED YOUR HELP - NOW MORE THAN EVER! On the eve of Rosh Hashana, 'Ilan,' Israel Foundation for Handicapped Children, appeals to you to give generously, to make it possible for us to continue with our wide-spectrum rehabilitation programs."



Bank Leumi assets total IL345b.

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN
The bank now manages 12 mutual funds with combined assets totalling some IL3.5b. The total assets value of the five Provident Funds managed by the bank reached IL1.7b. at the end of June 1979 with a combined membership having grown to 845,000.



One of Ecuador's Boeing jets waits on the runway at Lod for an overhaul from the Israel Aircraft Industries. Ecuadorians expect a profit of \$4m. this year because of work done by the IAI, according to the U.S. publication 'Air Transport World'.

arm, Bedek, which continues to maintain them under contract at Sucre Airport in Quito and Bolivar Airport in Guayaquil. Bedek is also responsible for the airline's maintenance at New York, Miami, Los Angeles and Mexico City, but it subcontracted the work at those stations. The airplanes have been flown to Israel one by one since March for a major overhaul. Ecuadorians' jets are painted in a rainbow of colours.

Prazot starts housing scheme for Arabs in East Jerusalem

By GIDEON WEIGERT/Special to The Jerusalem Post

For the first time since the reunification of Jerusalem in 1967, the Israeli 'Build your own home' scheme is this week to be launched in East Jerusalem when Prazot (the municipal government housing organization) opens registration for the purchase of building plots at the new housing project for Arabs near El Eizariya.

with the housing problems of residents of East Jerusalem. The manager of the company's branch, Sa'adah Khureish, said that since April 1978 over 200 Arab residents had received loans totalling over IL5m.

'Not a single application in our office is delayed for more than one month. During that time our architects have already visited the applicant's old flat, given their recommendation, and the housing committee has studied the file and reached a decision.' Khureish stresses. Most cases coming to her office are really desperate cases. Some applicants are from houses on the verge of collapse in the Old City.

The Prudential Assurance Company Limited

Abridged Financial Report for the Years Ended 31st December 1978 and 1977

A. ABRIDGED DATA OF THE HEAD OFFICE IN ENGLAND

Table with 4 columns: 1978, 1977, 1978, 1977. Rows include Share capital, reserves and surplus; Life assurance funds; General insurance fund; Outstanding claims; Other liabilities.

DETAILS OF INSURANCE BUSINESS AND REVENUE FOR THE YEARS ENDED 31st DECEMBER 1978 AND 1977

Table with 4 columns: 1978, 1977, 1978, 1977. Rows include Life assurance premiums; General insurance premiums; Profit from life assurance; Income from investments; Business profit before dividends.

B. DETAILS OF GENERAL INSURANCE BUSINESS IN ISRAEL

General Insurance Business and Revenue for the years ended 31st December 1978 and 1977

Table with 4 columns: 1978, 1977, 1978, 1977. Rows include General insurance premiums and registration fees; Loss from general insurance business; Income from investments; Business profit (loss).

SUMMARY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 1978 AND 1977

Table with 4 columns: 1978, 1977, 1978, 1977. Rows include Liabilities in Israel; Approved investments in Israel; Excess (deficit) of investments in Israel; Unapproved investment in Israel.

This report is published in accordance with the Insurance Business Law and Regulations of 1951.

The complete and detailed Profit and Loss and Insurance Revenue Statements can be obtained on application to Leubit Insurance Services Ltd., P.O.Box 30021, Tel Aviv, or Mulford & Co. Ltd., P.O.Box 463, Haifa.

Representatives in Israel MULFORD & CO. Ltd. LEUBIT INSURANCE SERVICES LTD. Tel Aviv, 24th August 1979.

El Al considering flight cutbacks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — El Al is examining the feasibility of cutting back on some of its routes and reducing flight frequencies on others, during the coming winter months. David Elyath would not comment on reports that El Al was considering shutting down its routes to Miami and Chicago, adding that no decision had yet been taken.

Chrysler expects \$1.5b. loss

DETROIT (UPI). — Chrysler Corp. has finally placed a figure on its previously vague loss estimates, saying its expects \$1.6b. in red ink this year and in 1980.

The loss this year will be \$1.075b. — the worst in U.S. corporate history and far greater than the most pessimistic forecasts by industry analysts — Chrysler said in its 10-page recovery plan submitted during the weekend to U.S. Treasury Secretary G. William Miller.

Egypt, Germany sign contracts

CAIRO (Reuters). — Egypt yesterday signed agreements with West German companies to renew and expand its worn out telecommunications system and carry out other development projects.

The agreement, signed with Siemens, called for spending \$200m. on improving Egypt's railways. M.W.A. said Siemens and the Krupp industrial combine would carry out feasibility studies on mining coal from the Sinai desert. Siemens will contribute \$25m. to the cost. MENA gave no details on how the projects would be financed.

WHAT'S ON

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JERUSALEM

MUSEUMS. Opening Exhibition: Jose Gualdado Posada (1833-1918). Exhibition of Prints by a Mexican artist whose art describes the stormy and bloody events in the history of his country. Cloth Pictures by Tamar Eytan. Valerio Adams. Paintings.

CELS OF THE PROSECUTORS OF JUDAH. Turner and the Bible. Colour at the Youth Wing. Exhibition from the Dept. of Art Photography. New Buildings in Old Environments. Naah Old Masters Gallery — Special Display. Art in Palestine in the 19th Century. From Still Life to Object-Yoked triad: Forms of Visual Images. Words in Freedom. Neolithic Figurines from Shaar Hagolan. Exhibit of the month: Outdoor Wraps of Baghdad.

JERUSALEM. Exhibits of the month: Gift of the Kadoury and Louise Zilkha family. Statue of an Isis, encasing the mummy of the sacred bird. Egypt, 8th century. B.C.E., wood and bronze. Yehoshua's Shrine: Form of a Chalice. Sculptured basalt stands from the Chalcolithic sites on the Golan Heights, 4th millennium B.C.E. (from Sept. 30). Rare bronze vessels from a Parian pediment, 6th-5th century B.C.E. Special exhibition: Islamic Arts.

Visiting Hours — Israel Museum: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tue., 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Fri., 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Shrine of the Book, Billy Rose Art Garden: Sun., Mon., Wed., Thurs. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tue., 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Fri., 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tickets for Sat. and holidays must be purchased in advance at the Museum.

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EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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Haifa: Hanassi, 38 Hanassi, 57212; Merkaz Nitzan, Kiryat Yam B, 709600; Be'er Sheva: Hanegev, 108 KKL, 77018.

DUTY HOSPITALS

Jerusalem: Share Zedek (pediatrics), Hadasah (internal, obstetrics, surgery, ophthalmology), Mt. Scopus (orthopedics), Bikur Holim (E.N.T.).

Tel Aviv: Roshak (pediatrics), Ichilov (internal, surgery), Netanya: Laniado (obstetrics, internal), Haifa: Carmel.

'Eran' Mental Health First Aid, Tel. Jerusalem 659912, Tel Aviv 253312, Haifa 538888, Be'er Sheva 3212, Netanya 35315, Migdal Ladaoh: Open line 4-6 p.m. every morning, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and Friday.

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FLIGHTS

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0100 El Al 811 Johannesburg; 0600 El Al 385 Rome; 0605 TWA 847 Athens, Rome, Boston, Washington; 0630 Alitalia 763 Rome; 0650 El Al 321 Maracich; 0700 Swissair 333 Zurich; 0710 TWA 849 Rome, Paris, Boston, Chicago; 0740 El Al 301 Munich, Vienna; 0745 Olympic 902 Athens; 0810 KLM 526 Amsterdam; 0820 El Al 346 Geneva, Zurich; 0840 El Al 581 Istanbul; 0850 British Air 377 London; 0900 El Al 019 London, New York; 0910 TWA 801 Paris, New York; 0920 El Al 351 Brussels; 1000 El Al 327 Frankfurt; 1020 El Al 315 London; 1020 El Al 6395 Malaga; 1040 El Al 328 Paris; 1100 El Al 547 Rhodes; 1100 El Al 327 Paris; 1120 Austrian 712 Vienna; 1220 Taram 246 Bucharest; 1260 Lufthansa 605 Frankfurt; 1300 El Al 581 Istanbul; 1310 SAS 712 Copenhagen; 1310 El Al 391 Lisbon; 1320 Taram 246 Bucharest; 1400 Air France 137 Paris; 2010 Olympic 306 Rhodes; 2120 El Al 541 Athens; 2130 El Al 587 Bucharest; 2135 El Al 549 Heraklion.

MISCELLANEOUS

Haifa Museum of Ancient and Modern Art. 28 Shabteil Levy St., Tel. 323285, National Maritime, Tel. 333222. Illegal immigration. Tel. 535245, 542000. Artists' House, Tel. 522555.

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TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

CRYPTIC PUZZLE. Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

Cryptic puzzle grid with clues: 1 Explorer and novelist (5); 2 Furnishings, etc. of dramatic significance (5); 3 Large container to jump over (4); 4 Track of an animal mostly to look in the general direction (4); 5 Dedicated, as deer may possibly be (6); 6 Native dimension producers (6); 7 Unusual instrumental piece (3); 8 Does it put flavour into macaroni only? (5); 9 Missed, perhaps, and so give the wrong impression (7); 10 One dishonestly confusing the FBI? (3); 11 Go out of shape, possibly (3); 12 Country with its own kind of roulette (6); 13 A tough character, perhaps, but goes to church (5); 14 One said to be finished as a chef-collector? (3); 15 Listener in the rehearsal room (3); 16 Large eye part (6); 17 Has it a tart taste? (3); 18 A measure of fish (5); 19 With which to ensure a gift with love? (5); 20 She turns paler (5); 21 Be inclined to be short of meat? (7); 22 Weakens the mentally feeble (4); 23 Like bread and cheese (6).

Easy puzzle grid with clues: 1 Waterbound area (5); 2 Rectifying aid (6); 3 Climbing bird (6); 4 Claw (5); 5 Small horn (4); 6 Smoother (4); 7 Owl's cry (4); 8 Chick (3); 9 Egyptian goddess (5); 10 Heavy metal (4); 11 Thinker (6); 12 Sheet of glass (4); 13 Flag (4); 14 Mine (3); 15 Looked at (4); 16 Expense (4); 17 Network (4); 18 River animal (5); 19 Turn (8); 20 Sign without affection (5); 21 Crocodyli (4); 22 Sign of pleasure (5); 23 Dazzling greedily (4); 1 Daze (4); 2 Exotic dwelling (6); 3 Pounce (4); 4 Requiring (6); 5 Animal horn (6); 6 Staff (3); 7 Vegetable (5); 8 Poisonous (7); 9 Pronoun (3); 10 Cushion (6); 11 Expressions (6); 12 Contempt (6); 13 Different (5); 14 Police creature (6); 15 Perfumed (3); 16 Rustle (6); 17 Employ (3); 18 Suburban (5); 19 Eastern (5); 20 Rubbish (5); 21 Seawall greedly (6); 22 Down (3); 23 Crocodyli (4); 24 Drought animals (4).

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLE TOMORROW

YESTERDAY'S EASY SOLUTION. ACROSS: 1. Mallet, 7. Eyeshade, 8. Deane, 10. Frazzled, 11. Glimpse, 14. D.E.N., 15. Frazzled, 17. Sheel, 19. Spode, 21. Merle, 22. Mived, 23. Tove, 24. Frazzled, 25. Bop, 28. E.T., 29. Harass, 31. Earl, 32. Charlot, 33. Ladder. DOWN: 1. Maiden, 2. Lovers, 3. Tart, 4. Cleaver, 5. Bird, 6. Usher, 8. Avid, 9. Erem, 12. N.H., 13. Loose, 15. Sere, 18. Odeon, 19. Rum, 20. Super, 21. Sirion, 22. Pex, 23. Barred, 24. Zeit, 25. Sullen, 26. Stick, 27. Filau, 28. Leo, 30. Asst.

YESTERDAY'S CRYPTIC SOLUTION. ACROSS: 1. Gears, 7. Eyeshade, 8. Deane, 10. Frazzled, 11. Glimpse, 14. D.E.N., 15. Frazzled, 17. Sheel, 19. Spode, 21. Merle, 22. Mived, 23. Tove, 24. Frazzled, 25. Bop, 28. E.T., 29. Harass, 31. Earl, 32. Charlot, 33. Ladder. DOWN: 1. Maiden, 2. Lovers, 3. Tart, 4. Cleaver, 5. Bird, 6. Usher, 8. Avid, 9. Erem, 12. N.H., 13. Loose, 15. Sere, 18. Odeon, 19. Rum, 20. Super, 21. Sirion, 22. Pex, 23. Barred, 24. Zeit, 25. Sullen, 26. Stick, 27. Filau, 28. Leo, 30. Asst.



Stock prices retreat under pressure

TEL AVIV. — The share market continued yesterday to come under selling pressure and prices retreated in most sectors of trading.

All bank groups were lower in almost identical turnover as on Monday as IL80.5m. worth of shares changed hands.

Industrial bonds, in heavy trading, exhibited a mixed pattern. However, many issues which had fallen heavily earlier in the week rebounded and cut a part of their losses.

The Israeli pound was lowered by 19 agorot against the American dollar. In spite of a decline in the commercial banking sector, there was still heavy demand for dollars and other currencies.

Bank Leumi announced its semi-annual results, and with a 39 per cent gain in earnings since the beginning of the year, the country's leading banking institution managed to sustain a real profit.

The IL2.2 earnings per share, fully diluted, compares extremely favourably with IL0.28 EPS for all of 1978.

Ernest Japhet, Leumi's chief operating executive told The Jerusalem Post that he expects to take a tough line in current wage negotiations.

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Stocks & bonds — the market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN Post Finance Reporter

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Mortgage bank issues were mixed. However, Tefahot (pref. r) came through with a 6.2 per cent gain.

Insurance stocks continued to back-track. Ararat ILI was felled for a 10 per cent loss.

Both Yardenia IL5 and Zur (r) were nearly 5 per cent lower.

In the service sector the shares of the Electric Corporation lit up and gained 6.1 per cent in quiet trading.

Rapac IL5 was down 5.1 per cent. Sotef Bonch shares were a bad feature as both the "A" and "C" shares were "sellers only" and were marked down by 5 per cent.

Bayside IL5 was nearly 5 per cent lower. Others in the group declined by up to 3 per cent.

Moller textiles was 5 per cent lower. Others in the group showed smaller losses.

Piryon continued to sparkle among investment company issues. The shares gained five points, in heavy trading, to 216.

Good earnings did not help Clal Real Estate as it headed lower by 7.5 per cent. Clal Industries was down by more than 5 per cent.

Representative bond prices

Table with columns: Bond Name, Price, Change. Includes 6.5% Defence loan, 7% (Ayn), 7% (Ayn Heh), etc.

New York Stock Exchange

Closing prices - Sept. 18

Down Jones Industrial Average: 873.54 down 7.41

Volume: 38,500,000

Table with columns: Stock Name, Closing price, Change. Includes Allied Chemical, ASA, Amer. Int. Paper Mills, etc.

Closing prices on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Large table with columns: Closing price, Volume, Change. Lists various stocks like I.D.B. pref., Tefahot pref., etc.

Advertisement for IR (InterRent) car rental service, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car.

Advertisement for American Israel Bank Ltd. featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about foreign currency and interest rates.

Most active shares

Table with columns: Share Name, Closing price, Volume, Change. Lists active shares like Leumi, IDB, Mizrahi, etc.

Advertisement for Classifieds, including Deadlines, Business Offers, Dwellings, Insurance, Musical Instruments, and Situations Vacant.

Advertisement for Elanit's closing becomes official, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about the company's history.

Advertisement for Bank of Israel representative foreign exchange rates - Sept. 18, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about exchange rates.

Advertisement for Is liquid hydrogen the aircraft fuel of the future? featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about hydrogen fuel.

Advertisement for Moshav Phasael near Jericho, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about the moshav.

Advertisement for Bank Leumi, featuring a cartoon illustration of a man with a car and text about the bank's services.



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Founded in 1932 by the late GERSHON AGRON...

The Post's MOSHE KOHN believes that the Conservative's challenge to the Orthodox may have been responsible for the "Halachic ruling" by Jerusalem Chief Rabbis Zolti and Mashash.

THE POLITICS OF RELIGION

Questions that won't go away

THE PUBLIC STORM over the Pinto case, triggered by the disclosure abroad of the verdict of the military court that had found Segen Daniel Pinto guilty of murdering four Lebanese villagers, is rising steadily, and it will not die down.

The storm centre is Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan, who commuted the (already reduced) eight-year sentence passed on the army officer to a mere two years; and the issue boils down to the fitness of the brave old soldier to hold the high post of Chief-of-Staff. While the loudest voices of both condemnation and approval are being heard on the fringes of the left and the right, the entire political community is fast becoming polarized.

A retrial is reported to be sought by the Pinto family. If granted, this could conceivably result in upsetting the original court finding. But for now there is no other starting point for informed opinion than what has happened.

The advisability of official inquiry by a public commission has also been mentioned. This, however, could not constitute a review of the verdict, but only of Rav-Aluf Eitan's action in commuting the sentence — and his cover-up by censorship of the case.

Without waiting for any such review, it may be useful to try to re-examine the making of the present controversy.

It should be recalled that the controversy first broke out not over the suppression of the verdict itself, but over Rav-Aluf Eitan's silently setting it aside. Rafal's initial explanation of the very lenient view he took of Segen Pinto's deed was that it had been done in self-defence and under battle conditions.

In so arguing in a press interview the Chief-of-Staff, apart from evading his own censor, in effect arbitrarily assumed the mantle of a military super-judge, empowered to work outside normal procedures.

Yet unbelievable as the explanation might have been, it at least seemed to explain Rafal's action. It was when he reversed himself, and dutifully bowed to the judges' findings, that his own decision became utterly inexplicable.

Surely, for the Chief-of-Staff to order so drastic a reduction in the punishment of so heinous an offender, there must have been some overwhelmingly good reason. What was that reason?

The irrelevant answer was that Rav-Aluf Eitan was within his right to do as he did, which indeed he was. (Although he would not have been if the two-year-old Shamgar Committee recommendations, which both he and Defence Minister Weizman opposed, had been carried out.)

Apart from that, the only answer was (for the while it took the news to get abroad) a tight curtain of censorship, ostensibly designed to protect state secrets.

Now that the main story is out, even with some gaping holes in it, Rafal is still keeping his silence. Some friends have been rushing to his aid, not stopping to think that they might be rendering him signal disservice.

Thus we have been hearing for the past few days such lunacies as that a dedicated soldier like Rafal is simply above reproach, no matter what, or that a chief-of-staff may lie because cabinet ministers, too, lie sometimes. But worst of all has been the suggestion that Israeli soldiers fighting Arab foes must be exempt from the application of standard military codes.

Is this really Rav-Aluf Eitan's view? The suspicion that it may be — and that his conduct in the Pinto case was therefore not an aberration but part of a consistent pattern — is spreading around, and it may well account for the refusal of the Cabinet majority to back him up, despite Mr. Begin's urgings.

At issue here is not merely the question of Israel's image among the nations. Above all — and certainly above any argument that Israel's blemishes can effectively be concealed, if only some people did not violate the rules of censorship — there is the question of Rav-Aluf Eitan's ability to provide the kind of moral leadership that Israel's army merits and will not do without.

No one can take away from Rafal a lifetime of splendid service in the defence of his people and country. But this record cannot put him beyond the requirements of public accountability for his actions as Chief-of-Staff.

"WHY DO YOU NOT pay attention to our fasting?" the people ask God in the Haftara (Isaiah 57:14-58:10) recited on Yom Kippur morning.

God replies: "Because on your fast day you worry only about your private affairs... Because you fast in strife and contention... Your fasting today is not such as to make your voice heard On High. Is this the kind of fast I desire...? No, this is the fast I desire: to loose the chains of injustice and undo the bonds of oppression... Then, when you call, God will answer; when you cry out to Him, He will say, 'Here I am... if you cease to pervert justice, to point the accusing finger and lay false charges...'"

If the chief rabbis of Jerusalem, Yaacov Bezalel Zolti and Shalom Mashash, had thought of the above, they might not have published their advertisement last Monday declaring that prayers said in a Conservative synagogue are not kosher and "appealing" to the public not to associate with Conservatives.

Their statement, as published in The Jerusalem Post, is headed: "Halachic ruling" — a formula that is repeated in the text. However, the statement meets none of the requirements of which rabbi or body of rabbis considered the matter, it does not list the data considered, and it

does not spell out how the alleged ruling was reached.

Therefore, one does not know on what basis the learned rabbis ruled that "the Holy Tora forbids participation" in Conservative prayer services and that hearing the shofar blown in a Conservative synagogue is like not hearing it at all. Certainly, it is not clear on what grounds Conservatives are to be ostracized. Consequently, this is not a "Halachic ruling" but another bit of scurrility velled in sanctimony (to paraphrase an epithet used by Nahmanides in his comment on Leviticus 19:2) for which some of our chief rabbis have become famous.

IT MAY BE ASSUMED that what mainly bothers Zolti and Mashash is the challenge of the Conservative Establishment to the Orthodox one, and not alleged Conservative ritual or ethical heresies. For if this were the issue, the rabbis should similarly place a ban on many non-Conservative synagogues. If a synagogue is not kosher because, for example, families sit together and there are changes in the liturgy, what about synagogues in which: • Known Sabbath violators — rock throwers, price gougers, usurers — serve as prayer leaders, Tora readers and shofar blowers among other honours? • So many congregants are so busy visiting and talking with each other

and not even necessarily about sacred matters — that there is sometimes not a minyan actually following the service and saying the responses, which is the whole point of congregational prayer as distinct from prayer in private?

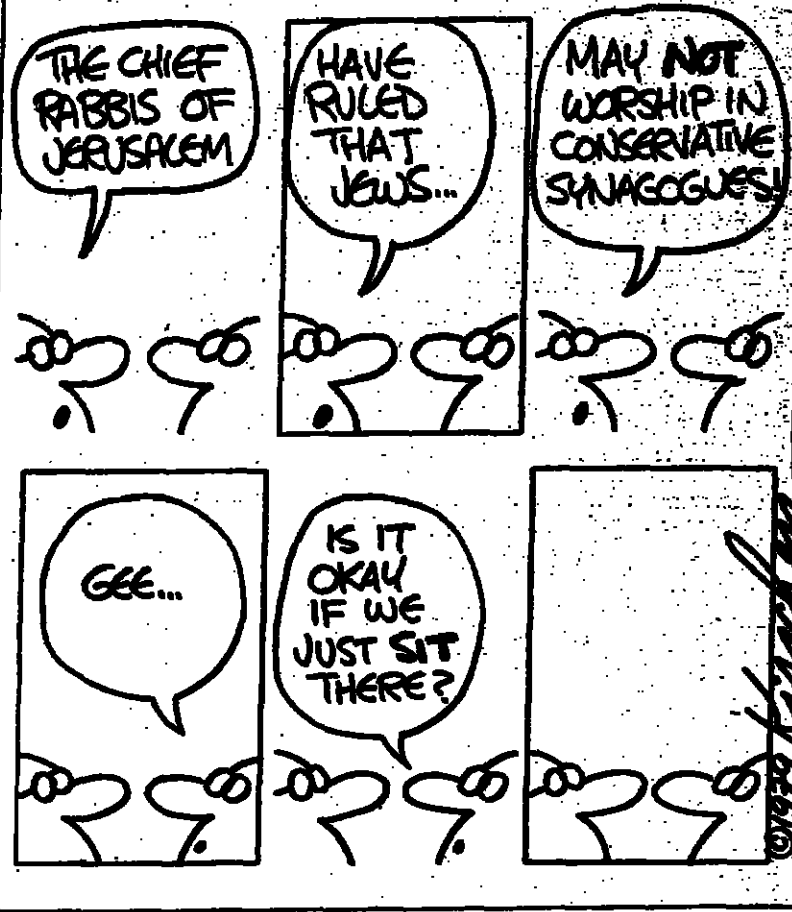
The supposed licentiousness is expressed not by males and females sharing pews but by their not altogether unflattering mingling in the hall or outside, even during the service and the Tora reading?

OF COURSE, some Conservative and Reform synagogues are not free of some of these phenomena. But that, obviously, is not what prompted Zolti and Mashash to issue their latest ban, or their earlier edict forbidding indoor weddings and authorizing only officially appointed "neighbourhood rabbis" to officiate at weddings, which was also aimed at Conservative and Reform rabbis and institutions.

They seem to be concerned less about the mass of people who attend no synagogue at all than about the small but growing number of people going to an increasing number of non-Orthodox synagogues.

For if they were more concerned about ignorance of, and antipathy to, religion, or if they had the understanding, imagination and initiative to do so, they would spend more time, energy and money on educational and social action and on

Dry Bones



Improving the quality of the religious services that the rabbinate renders to the public, and less on hunting heretics and issuing bans. Or at least they would issue bans that have an important social-ethical value.

One such ban that they might issue at this season pertains to the exorbitant price of the Four Species used for the Sukkot ritual. In doing so, they would be following the example of a distinguished predecessor, Rabbi Shimon ben Gamaliel, who temporarily abrogated an express command of the Tora in order to bring down the price of pigeons used for certain sacrifices in the Temple (Tractate Kriyat Ka).

Meanwhile, all of us — from the most extreme free-thinkers, from the Gush Emunim "hawks" to Or Veshalom "doves" — can only benefit from a careful study of the two chapters in Isaiah from which the Yom Kippur morning Haftara is taken.

READERS' LETTERS

THE FALASHA AGONY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Geoffrey Wigoder's unfortunate juxtaposition of my article of June 1978 ("Present Tense") with David Kessler's article of July 1979 ("Jewish Chronicle") — Jewish Scene, August 22 — would lead one to believe that the lot of the Falashas in Ethiopia has indeed improved during the past year, when in fact it has considerably worsened. Mr. Kessler, in his anxiety to give ORT in Ethiopia a good bill of health to counter serious charges levelled against its administration of a programme originally designed to save the Falashas, has gone overboard in minimizing what has happened to this helpless Jewish group, all but abandoned by the Jewish world.

Since no Jewish organization, including ORT, has even bothered to explore the entire situation confronting the Falashas, but has only dealt with less than 10 per cent of the Jewish population, neither ORT nor Mr. Kessler, who recently returned from a visit to Ethiopia, are in a position to reveal how many are still alive, how many have been forcibly relocated to other sections of the country, nor how many are now living in jeopardy as refugees in other African countries.

This much we do know, that without the constant goading by friends of the Falashas in America and the handful of Falashas residing in Israel — of the government of Israel, and their equally insistent prodding of the Jewish Agency and other international Jewish organizations (for none of them have any self-motivating interest in salvaging this ancient Jewish community), not even the 150 that have settled in Israel in the last two years would ever have arrived.

The thousands left behind due to Jewish neglect and prejudice are not only in danger of being totally extinguished, but are actually undergoing slow, inexorable death, because of a Jewish world, which has turned its back on them. In the past month, a Falasha family that came here in 1977 received a letter that three of their intimate kinsmen had been killed in the very area served by ORT and visited by Mr. Kessler.

This is the authentic story of their predicament, and not the apologetics that are sporadically forthcoming from both official Israel and overseas Jewish organizations about how hard all are labouring to rescue them. But always some mysterious

forces seem to be interfering with these half-hearted efforts. Of course, all these steps must be shrouded in secrecy.

The true story will unfortunately be revealed too late. Then, some one, in belated remorse, will commission some sculptured work to portray the agony of their final days.

Both Hatesutooth, which is imaginatively presenting Jewish communities which have suffered a similar fate, is to be commended for telling the Falasha story in a forthright exhibition before its demise. Perhaps viewers will be sufficiently aroused to stir Israel and Diaspora Jewry to do something now to counteract this ongoing tragedy.

GRAENNUM BEBBER Jerusalem.

LOST OPPORTUNITY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — From The Jerusalem Post International Edition which I read regularly, I know about the trial of the two terrorists (survivors of the coastal road massacre), which is going on now in Israel. There is nothing about this trial in the local media here.

There is at present much talk about the PLO outside of Israel. And this trial offers us an incredible opportunity to make our point to the world.

Why didn't Israel invite a large number of foreign correspondents to cover it? The PLO learned this lesson long ago: after almost every Israeli raid, the world is presented with dreadful pictures. Why not beat the PLO with their own weapon?

M. MINA Lucerne, Switzerland.

TURNING OFF THE TAP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — About 10 times during the past year, the water has been turned off in our neighbourhood for at least an hour or two in the morning. Today I was in the shower shampooing my hair when the water went off — an unenviable predicament. When our building's manager telephones the municipal water office, they invariably respond by hanging up the phone.

Why can't prior notification be given to an area when its water — after all, an essential service — is going to be turned off?

MARCO ELIHU HOPSTADTER Jerusalem.

The Jerusalem Municipality replies: Your correspondent lives on

Guatemala Street, which is near Uruguay Street, where road work is in progress. The contractor damaged the water main and consequently, the water was turned off three times for short periods in the area. Since the damage was unexpected, it was impossible to give prior notification to the neighbourhood residents, as the Water Department usually does when it carries out planned repairs.

Moreover, we know that all blocks in the area have water tanks on the roof which guarantee the continued flow of water for a few hours in case of damage to the main. We see no reason why your correspondent should have been affected so often by lack of water.

RAFI DAVARA Municipal Spokesman

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